

107<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# S. RES. 338

Designating the month of October, 2002, as “Children’s Internet Safety Month”.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 10, 2002

Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. BREAUX, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. CRAIG, Mrs. CLINTON, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. DODD, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. HATCH, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. BOND, Mr. FITZGERALD, and Mrs. BOXER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

OCTOBER 17, 2002

Committee discharged; considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

Designating the month of October, 2002, as “Children’s Internet Safety Month”.

Whereas the Internet is one of the most effective tools available for purposes of education and research and gives children the means to make friends and freely communicate with peers and family anywhere in the world;

Whereas the new era of instant communication holds great promise for achieving better understanding of

the world and providing the opportunity for creative inquiry;

Whereas it is vital to the well-being of children that the Internet offer an open and responsible environment to explore;

Whereas access to objectionable material, such as violent, obscene, or sexually explicit adult material may be received by a minor in unsolicited form;

Whereas there is a growing concern in all levels of society to protect children from objectionable material; and

Whereas the Internet is a positive educational tool and should be seen in such a manner rather than as a vehicle for entities to make objectionable materials available to children: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2               (1) designates October, 2002, as “Children’s  
3       Internet Safety Month” and supports its official sta-  
4       tus on the Nation’s promotional calendar; and

5               (2) supports parents and guardians in pro-  
6       moting the creative development of children by en-  
7       couraging the use of the Internet in a safe, positive  
8       manner.

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